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**COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

(ORIGINAL, DESIGN, NATIONAL STAGE OF PCT, SUPPLEMENTAL, DIVISIONAL,  
CONTINUATION, OR C-I-P)

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

**TYPE OF DECLARATION**

This declaration is of the following type: ☐ original.  
(check one) ☐ design.  
☐ supplemental.  
☐ national stage of PCT.  
☐ divisional.  
☒ continuation.  
☐ continuation-in-part (C-I-P)

**INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION**

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name. I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (*if only one name is listed below*) or an original, first and joint inventor (*if plural names are listed below*) of the subject matter that is claimed, and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**TITLE OF INVENTION**

**SYSTEM FOR COUPLING A TOOTHED STARTER RING TO A SUPPORT**  
**CONNECTED TO THE OUTPUT SHAFT OF AN INTERNAL COMBUSTION**  
**ENGINE**

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**SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION**

the specification of which:

(a) ☒ is attached hereto.

(b) ☐ was filed on \_\_\_\_\_, as Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (*if applicable*).

(c) ☐ was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed  
on \_\_\_\_\_ and as amended under PCT Article 19 on  
\_\_\_\_\_ (*if applicable*).

## SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION (37 C.F.R. § 1.67(b))

*(complete the following where a supplemental declaration is being submitted)*

☐ I hereby declare that the subject matter of the

☐ attached amendment

☐ amendment filed on \_\_\_\_\_

was part of my/our invention and was invented before the filing date of the original application, above-identified, or such invention.

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information, which is material to patentability as defined in 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56, and which is material to the examination of this application, namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable Examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent, and

☐ in compliance with this duty, there is attached an information disclosure statement, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98.

### PRIORITY CLAIM

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §§ 119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed. Such applications have been filed as follows:

#### PRIOR FOREIGN/PCT APPLICATION(S) FILED WITHIN 12 MONTHS (6 MONTHS FOR DESIGN) PRIOR TO THIS APPLICATION AND ANY PRIORITY CLAIMS UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d)

COUNTRY (OR INDICATE IF PCT)	APPLICATION NO.	DATE OF FILING (day, month, year)	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 35 USC 119
FRANCE	99 12240	30/09/1999	YES
FRANCE	99 16175	21/12/1999	YES
			YES/NO
			YES/NO
			YES/NO

### CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. PROVISIONAL APPLICATION(S)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

PROVISIONAL APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE (day, month, year)

### CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF EARLIER US/PCT APPLICATION(S) UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 120

- ☒ The claim for the benefit of any such applications are set forth in the attached ADDED PAGES TO COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR DIVISIONAL, CONTINUATION OR CONTINUATION-IN-PART (C-I-P) APPLICATION.

**ALL FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY, FILED MORE THAN 12 MONTHS  
(6 MONTHS FOR DESIGN) PRIOR TO THIS U.S. APPLICATION**

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### POWER OF ATTORNEY

I hereby appoint the practitioners practicing at the following Customer Number to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

**34704**

#### SEND CORRESPONDENCE TO:

The above Customer Number.

#### DIRECT TELEPHONE CALLS TO:

Barry L. Kelmachter  
(203) 777-6628 - ext. 112

### DECLARATION

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made

with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

### SIGNATURE(S)

**Full name of sole or first inventor:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(signature)

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
(signature)

Name: Jean-Pierre Rocheteau

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Country of Citizenship: France

Residence Address:

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La Bruffiere, France 85530

Post Office Address: (SAME AS ABOVE)

**Full name of third joint inventor, if any:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(signature)

Name: Franck Douillard

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Country of Citizenship: France

Residence Address:

50, rue Centrale  
La Bernardiere, France 85610

Post Office Address: (SAME AS ABOVE)

**Full name of fourth joint inventor, if any:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(signature)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Country of Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

Residence Address:

Post Office Address:

ADDED PAGES TO COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR DIVISIONAL,  
CONTINUATION, OR CONTINUATION-IN-PART (C-I-P) APPLICATION.

1 PAGES ADDED

Practitioner's Docket No. 02-856-2

**ADDED PAGE TO COMBINED DECLARATION  
AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR DIVISIONAL, CONTINUATION  
OR C-I-P APPLICATION**

*(complete this part only if this is a divisional, continuation or C-I-P application)*

**CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF EARLIER U.S./PCT APPLICATION(S)  
UNDER 35 U.S.C. 120**

I hereby claim the benefit, under Title 35, United States Code, § 120, of any United States application(s) or PCT international application(s) designating the United States of America that is/are listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in that/those prior application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to patentability as defined in 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 and that is material to the examination of this application, namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent, that occurred between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application. (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(e)).

☐ In compliance with this duty, there is attached an information disclosure statement, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98.

<b>PRIOR U.S. APPLICATIONS OR PCT INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS DESIGNATING THE U.S. FOR BENEFIT UNDER 35 USC 120:</b>				
<b>U.S. APPLICATIONS</b>		<b>Status (check one)</b>		
<b>U.S. Applications</b>	<b>U.S. Filing Date</b>	<b>Patented</b>	<b>Pending</b>	<b>Abandoned</b>
09 / 671,624	September 28, 2000		XXX	
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<b>PCT APPLICATIONS DESIGNATING THE U.S.</b>				
<b>PCT Application No.</b>	<b>PCT Filing Date</b>	<b>U.S. Application Nos. Assigned (if any)</b>		
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**35 USC § 119 PRIORITY CLAIM, IF ANY,  
FOR ABOVE LISTED U.S./PCT APPLICATIONS**

<b>ABOVE APPLICATION NO.</b>	<b>DETAILS OF U.S. PROVISIONAL OR FOREIGN APPLICATION FROM WHICH PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 35 USC § 119</b>		
<b>Please indicate appropriate PCT application no.</b>	<b>Country and Application No.</b>	<b>Date of filing (day, month, year)</b>	<b>Date of issue (day, month, year)</b>
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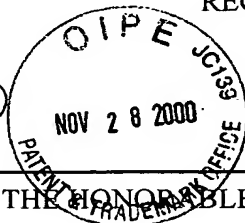
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Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof.

1. Name of conveying party:

**Eric JACQUEMONT** (executed 10-20-00)  
**Jean-Pierre ROCHETEAU** (executed 10-20-00)  
**Franck DOUILLARD** (executed 10-20-00)

Additional names attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

2. Name and address of receiving party:

**S.A. DEFONTAINE**  
**Rue St. Eloi**  
**85530 La Bruffiere**  
**France**

3. Nature of conveyance:

☒ Assignment ☐ Merger  
☐ Security Agreement ☐ Change of Name  
☐ Other

4. Application numbers or patent numbers:

If this document is being filed with a new application, the execution date of the application is:

A. Patent Application No. **09/671,624**

B. Patent No.

Additional numbers attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

5. Mail correspondence to:

**PENNIE & EDMONDS LLP**  
1667 K Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20006

6. Number of applications  
and patents involved: .....

1

7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41): ..... \$ 40.00  
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9. Statement and signature.

*To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.*

Allan A. Fanucci, Reg. No. 30,256

Name of Person Signing

Signature

11/28/00

Date

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Washington, D.C. 20231

## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, WE, Eric JACQUEMONT, Jean-Pierre ROCHETEAU and Franck DOUILLARD, ASSIGNORS, citizens of France, residing at 6, rue Georges Caillaud, 44190 Clisson, France; 10, Impasse des Genêts, 85530 La Bruffiere, France; and 50, rue Centrale, 85610 La Bernardiere, France, respectively, are the inventors of the invention in **SYSTEM FOR COUPLING A TOOTHED STARTER RING TO A SUPPORT CONNECTED TO THE OUTPUT SHAFT OF AN INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE** for which we have executed an application for a Patent of the United States

- ☒ which is executed on ☒ even date herewith
- ☒ which is identified by Pennie & Edmonds LLP docket no. 10651-003-999
- ☒ which was filed on September 28, 2000

and WHEREAS, S.A. DEFONTAINE, ASSIGNEE, a company having a place of business at Rue St. Eloi, 85530 La Bruffiere, France is desirous of obtaining our entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention and the said application:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to us in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said ASSIGNORS, have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, our entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention, and the said United States application and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Patents of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof;

AND WE HEREBY authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, to issue the same to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND WE HEREBY covenant and agree that we have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that we have not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith.

AND WE HEREBY further covenant and agree that we will communicate to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to us respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing, and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths, and generally do everything possible to aid the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We hereunto set our hands and seals the day and year set opposite our respective signatures.

20/10/2000  
Date

  
Eric JACQUEMONT

On this 20 day of October 2000, before me, a witness, personally appeared Eric JACQUEMONT, to me known and known to me to be the person of that name, who signed and sealed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged the same to be his/her free act and deed.

  
Witness

20/10/2000

Date

  
Jean-Pierre ROCHETEAU

On this 20 day of October 2000, before me, a witness, personally appeared **Jean-Pierre ROCHETEAU**, to me known and known to me to be the person of that name, who signed and sealed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged the same to be his/her free act and deed.

Witness 

20/10/2000

Date

  
Franck DOUILLARD

On this 20 day of October 2000, before me, a witness, personally appeared **Franck DOUILLARD**, to me known and known to me to be the person of that name, who signed and sealed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged the same to be his/her free act and deed.

Witness 